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Besides making amazing goals on the lacrosse field, Miles Thompson made it his goal to offer his thanks and friendship to everyone who came to meet him Tuesday, January 20 at the Executive Building in Black River Falls.

Thompson, 24, unquestionably one of the best lacrosse players today, visited with members of the Ho-Chunk Legislature before greeting his fans, signing autographs and posing for pictures.

He was the co-recipient of the 2014 Tewaarton Trophy, which is the lacrosse equivalent of football's Heisman Trophy, with his brother, Lyle. The brothers, along with their cousin, Ty, were known as the "Thompson Trio" on the University at Albany lacrosse field.

He was selected by the Minnesota Swarm in the first round, third overall, of the 2014 National Lacrosse League draft.

Thompson has played two games since joining the team and had hat tricks at both games. A hat trick is three goals scored by one player in

one game.

The next home game, at Xcel Energy Center in Saint Paul, will be played against the Rochester Nighthawks on February 6 at Ho-Chunk Nation Field, when the Ho-Chunk Nation will be highlighted in a Native American Heritage Night.

Tickets can be obtained through the Ho-Chunk Nation Office Of the President. There are 1,500 tickets available and are free to Ho-Chunk members and family, and all Nation employees.

Thompson believes his upbringing attributed greatly to his success on the field.

"I give a lot of credit to my parents," he said. "They helped us with our path and lead us in the right direction. My father says, 'The best thing you can give your child is your time because money will come and go.' That's why he said the best thing you can give is time and that's one thing that he gave us when we were younger."

Whenever the brothers wanted time to play lacrosse, his father, Jerome, would be there to help improve their abilities.

"And not only that, he helped us stay away from drugs and alcohol," Thompson said. "I'm 23 years old and I haven't touched any drugs or alcohol and I give a lot of credit to my parents for that. And I believe that's part of my success."

He finished his studies at University at Albany as the school's all-time leader in points with 293 and goals with 189. Thompson tied a NCAA record of 82 goals in 2014 and provided 37 assists, which gave him 119 points on the season.

He is a member of the Onondaga Nation in New York. The Onondaga people are one of the original five constituent nations of the Iroquois Confederacy. Their traditional homeland is in and around Onondaga County, near Syracuse, New York.

Thompson and the rest



Answering the requests of young fans, lacrosse athlete Miles Thompson signs a couple lacrosse sticks during his visit to the Ho-Chunk Nation Executive Building in Black River Falls.

of his teammates at Albany captured the attention of the entire country last year during their run to the NCAA quarterfinals, when they lost to Notre Dame.

In the World Lacrosse Championships last summer in Denver, Thompson helped to lead the Iroquois National Team to a bronze medal.

"That's the first time we ever got bronze. And I played with all my brothers and my father was the coach. It was a fun time," he said.

Now that he's on a professional team, he wants to send a message to all the young hopeful Native American athletes who want to do the same.

"It's never too late to pick up the game of lacrosse," he said. "I look at my brother who is older than me. Jerome. He's been chasing the dream of becoming a professional lacrosse player for quite some time now. He tried out three years in a row and he got cut from teams and he started to get into shape and this year he finally made the team. He's playing for Buffalo Bandits right

now. And he actually scored his first goal last weekend. So, I'm pretty happy for him right now."

Although he has been used to playing lacrosse with family and now they are separated, he still has constant contact with them.

"It's a little bit different playing without them. I actually played against my oldest brother, Jeremy, two weeks ago in Edmonton. So, that was a little bit different for me," Thompson said.

"I'd rather be playing with them than against them. Even before games, my youngest brother Lyle, would send me texts and tell me to go with confidence and just give me advice like he's there playing with me."

The game has been with him so long, he doesn't know when it all began. "I really don't remember because I was that young," he said. "Us Native Americans were given a traditional wooden stick in our cradleboard, so probably ever since I could crawl or walk, I always had a stick in my hands."

Although he has the talent

to excel in other sports as well, lacrosse is the game that is nearest to his heart.

"It's because of the culture because every spring we have a traditional medicine game, which is the game of lacrosse. I was just born into it and I love the game and I didn't want to stop playing it," Thompson said. "I

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Dear Editor:

Based on the January 16, 2015 Hocak Worak’s article, “Change to allow incompetent members access to own money,” I would like to provide further information and add clarity as to the Judiciary. First, the article was inaccurate in stating that the requests for access to the trust funds held for incompetent adults are “treated the same as a child under the age of 18”. When the Court receives a petition requesting release of trust funds the request of the incompetent individual is treated differently than a request to access the funds held by the tribe in the interest of a specific juvenile. The Court is more liberal in its review.

Adult incompetents, unlike minors under the same provisions, are not afforded access to the same or similar resources. The Court does

have a four part test which is applied less stringently where the requests for monies are held for individual adult incompetents. This is based on Ho-Chunk case law and is derived from language appearing in the Per Capita Distribution Ordinance. The standard for review is that “as long as the request bears a reasonable relationship to a legitimate quality of life concern, a welfare necessity most likely exists.” The Court proceedings serve to assure that the funds are properly expended for the beneficiary’s health, education, or welfare and quality of life. The Court needs specific information to make this determination and has developed a form designed to assure the inclusion of the factors necessary to comply with the Per Capita Distribution Ordinance.

Currently the Ho-Chunk Nation’s Office of Enrollment, (who is represented by a Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Justice attorney), must respond to the petition. They make an initial determination as to whether a release of funds is appropriate and include a recommendation as to whether a hearing should be held. Hearings are held when the Office of Enrollment or the Court has questions or concerns about the request to allow the petitioning legal guardian the opportunity to be heard. Through this process the current Per Capita Distribution Ordinance accomplishes the goals of the Nation to be in compliance with the Federal Indian Gaming Regulatory Act regarding individual distributions, and still take into consideration the issues of eligibility for public

benefits of the beneficiary.

Second, the article could leave people with the mistaken belief that “members requesting money under the present system need to come to court in Black River Falls for every petition...”

That is not the case. Under the Ho-Chunk Nation Rules of Civil Procedure, there is a provision for telephonic participation in proceedings. The rule requires that the request “must be in writing and made expeditiously to the Court”. The Court exercises its discretion in granting these motions, but the Court regularly and liberally permits telephonic participation in its cases. While telephonic participation could prove challenging when an exchange of documents or other information needs to take place during the hearing, with proper planning by the

parties the telephonic hearings are quite successful.

Additional information about the Nation’s laws, cases and the Judiciary Branch may be found on the Nation’s website. People can also call 715/284-2722 or 800/434-4070 and ask to speak to one of the two staff attorneys that can assist with questions regarding the law, Court forms or processes. I thank you for this opportunity to share these facts.

Respectfully,

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General Council Agency Hires New Advocate

General Council Agency is proud to announce that Joy Thompson is the new Advocate for Office of General Council. Joy is an enrolled Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Member; she brings a wealth of experience to the position as a former Branch Office General Manager, Outreach Specialist, and long term member of General Council Agency. She has served as the Alternate and Agent for the Madison Community, and as General Council Agency, Treasurer. The Office of General Council is located at 27374 E. State HWY 21, Tomah, Wisconsin 54660.

The Advocate manages the day-to-day office and supervises the Office of General Council staff, and coordinates activities between the Office of General Council and the General Council Agency. Please join us in welcoming Joy to the Office of General Council. Joy can be reached at 715-284-7891.

Bureau of Indian Affairs Provides Technical Comment Letter on Secretarial Election Request to Eliminate the Secretary of Interior From the Ho-Chunk Constitution Amendment.

On January 16, 2015, the Regional Director of the Bu-

reau of Indian Affairs Midwest Agency informed the Ho-Chunk Nation that it completed its technical review of three proposed resolutions to amend the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution.


The General Council through General Council Agency submitted three Resolutions to BIA from the 2013 Annual General Council: (1) If approved the first amendment, Resolution Number 9/28/2013-1 would dramatically alter the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitution by removing the Secretary of Interior from the Ho-Chunk Nation Constitutional amendment process,

(2) The second proposed amendment Resolution Number 9/28/2013-5 addresses the succession for Ho-Chunk Nation leaders should vacancies occur in the Offices of the President and Vice President simultaneously. This amendment authorizes the Legislator with the most seniority to call a Special meeting of the Legislature to select a new Vice-President, and (3) The third amendment Resolution Number 9/28/2013-6 is a proposed amendment to remove the Ho-Chunk Nation General Council from the ineligible tribal member removal process.

General Council Agency

will be attending Area meetings and meetings with the Executive and Legislative Branches of Government to gather information to provide a response to the Technical Comment letter provided by Regional Director Diane Rosen. General Council Agency will provide its response letter to the people before it is submitted. General Council Agency will provide updates on this process as information becomes available. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of General Council at 715-284-7891.

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State health agency urges residents to fight the spread of influenza and other illnesses

Health Officials Urge Residents to Stay Home If They're Sick

Submitted by Jennifer Miller, WI Dept. of Health Services

Wisconsin is experiencing an especially bad influenza season, and the state Department of Health Services (DHS) is urging people who may have the flu, or other illnesses, to stay home from work or school to avoid spreading sickness.

"People may think they're being tough and responsible by showing up at work or school when they aren't feeling well, but the fact is they're doing their co-workers or classmates a disservice by potentially spreading an illness to others," said Karen McKeown, State Health Officer.

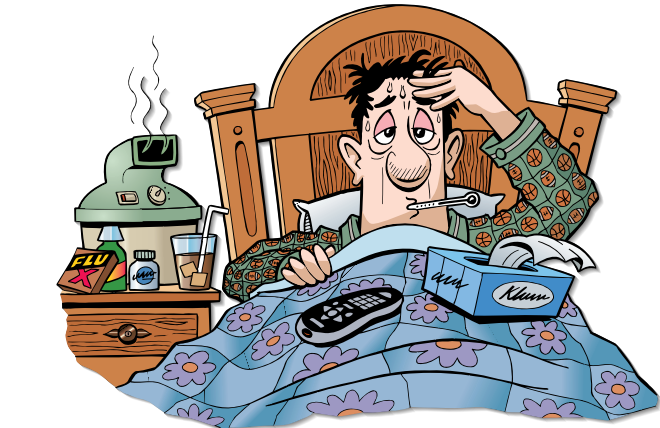
People over the age of 65 have been especially hard-hit this influenza season, and DHS also urges state residents to avoid visiting elderly family, friends, or anyone in a long-term care facility, such as a nursing home, if they are under the weather.

"We also want to stress that it's never too late to get a flu shot, and we encourage anyone who hasn't done so to get vaccinated as soon as they can," McKeown added. "Even though this year's flu shot is not as good a match as it has been in most other years, it still can reduce the severity of flu symptoms among those who get the flu, and reduce rates of hospitalization and death."

Influenza is a contagious disease that infects the respiratory tract (nose, throat, and lungs). Symptoms can come on suddenly with fever, headache, tiredness, dry cough, sore throat, nasal congestion, and body aches. The illness can be mild to severe, and can sometimes lead to death. Nearly 3,000 people have been hospitalized with laboratory confirmed influenza in Wisconsin this season. Of those who have been hospitalized, 72 percent are over age 65.

In addition to influenza, Wisconsin has also seen an increase in cases of pertussis (whooping cough), and in outbreaks caused by norovirus. Symptoms of norovirus infection typically include nausea, stomach cramping, vomiting, and diarrhea. Norovirus infection is often mistakenly referred to as "stomach flu," but is unrelated to influenza.

Along with staying home when sick, DHS urges



residents to avoid illnesses through frequent and thorough hand washing, covering the nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing, eating nutritious food, exercising, and getting enough rest.

The flu facts

Submitted by Criss Swanson, RN and Holly Rodenberg, RN: Nurse Educators

We are currently in the peak of the flu season here in Wisconsin. This strain of flu that is currently peaking is expected to be in our area for another 4-6 weeks. There is still strong data to support the flu vaccine will help decrease the severity of your symptoms. It's not a perfect match for the strain right now during the peak times, but there may be other strains they expect to be coming through the area this flu season and it will still protect you against that strain per Wisconsin's Public Health Officials.

State officials say on average, Wisconsin has two flu-related child deaths each year. While a second death has already been confirmed by mid-January, officials say it's too soon to say whether this strain is especially dangerous until the whole season is finished.

Wisconsin state health officials say nearly 3,000 people have been hospitalized with the flu this season. Nearly 3/4 of those people are 65 or older — which is a larger percentage than usual.

Flu vaccine remains available through local health care providers and retail pharmacies, though area residents are advised to call ahead to determine availability.

The three most important things you can do to keep flu germs out of your life are:

- Regularly wash your hands with soap and water or

- an alcohol-based sanitizer.
- Cover your mouth when you cough, preferably with something other than your hand.
- Get the flu vaccine every year.

Other suggestions may include:

- Help prevent the spread of the flu: If experiencing symptoms of seasonal flu, which may include fever, cough, sore throat, stuffy nose, muscle or body aches, and fatigue, stay home from work or school, get rest, and drink plenty fluids.

People at greater risk include those with diabetes, asthma, weakened immune systems, children under 2 years of age and anyone over 50. If symptoms persist or worsen, contact your health care provider. There are medications which your doctor might recommend to fight the influenza virus. These medications may lessen the severity or length of illness and may be particularly helpful for those at highest risk. They should be started within the first couple days of symptoms.

- Use your own drinking cups and straws.
- Avoid being exposed to people who are sick with flu-like symptoms.
- Eat nutritious meals, get plenty of rest and do not smoke.
- Frequently clean commonly touched surfaces (e.g., doorknobs, refrigerator handle, telephone, faucet, remote

controls, video game controllers, computer keyboards, etc.)

Further helpful information about the flu may be found at the following website:

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/index.htm>

If you have any other questions about the flu, please contact us at Christine Swanson,

House of Wellness Nurse Educator at 608-355-1240, ext. 5607 or Holly Rodenberg, Ho-Chunk Health Care Center Nurse Educator at 715-284-9851, ext. 5330.

Get ready for the next Fitness Challenge!



Activity Bingo starts February 9th and will run until March 22nd

You will have this time to black out your card and be eligible for prizes. Open to Tribal members and their families and employees of the Nation.

More details and cards coming soon!



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CSAs...What are they and how can I find one?

By Kathleen Clemons, MS, CES, RCEP

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) has become a popular way for consumers to buy local, seasonal food directly from a farmer. Farmers offer a certain number of “shares” to the public. Typically the share consists of a box of vegetables but other farm products may be included such as eggs, honey or herbs. Interested consumers purchase a share (aka “membership” or “subscription”) and in return, receive a box of seasonal produce throughout the farming season. Some farms deliver all boxes to a central location for pick-up by members while others require members to pick up their boxes at the farm on a designated day and time.

If you are not accustomed to eating seasonally, you may find it takes a while to make a transition from eating whatever is in your grocery store to whatever is in your CSA basket. It may surprise you to find that tomatoes do not ripen until August in your area. In most areas, the first crops will be salad greens, peas, and green onions. By the end of the season, the boxes should be much heavier, with things like winter squash, potatoes, tomatoes, and broccoli. Many farms provide a list of what produce to expect and when to expect it.

The CSA programs create several benefits for both the farmer and consumer. Benefits include:

Farmer:

- Get to spend time marketing food early in the year, before their long days in the field begin

- Through direct marketing, CSAs give farmers the fairest return on their products
 - Receive payment early in the season, which helps with the farm’s cash flow
 - Have an opportunity to get to know the people who eat the food they grow
- Consumers**
- Eat ultra-fresh food, with all the flavor and vitamin benefits
 - Get exposed to new vegetables and new ways of cooking
 - Usually get to visit the farm at least once a season
 - Find that kids typically favor food from “their” farm, even veggies they’ve never been known to eat
 - Develop a relationship with the farmer who grows their food and learn more about how food is grown
- Types of programs**
- One increasingly common type of program is the “mix and match,” or “market-style” CSA. Rather than making up a standard box of vegetables for every member each week, the members load their own boxes with some degree of personal choice. Members take a prescribed amount of what is available, leaving behind what their families do not care for. Some CSA farms then donate extra produce to a food bank.
- Another method, which helps to manage labor for the farm, is to offer a reduced price of the share for the exchange of member labor. This gives the member an opportunity to experience the farm firsthand and provides the farmer



with additional labor.

How many people does a share feed?

A full share should be enough for a family of four or two adults who cook at home regularly. A partial or half share is a good size for a single person or two adults who don’t cook at home every night. A third option is to split a full share with another family.

Shared risk

In most CSAs, members pay up front for the whole season and the farmers do their best to provide an abundant box of produce each week. If things are slim, members are not typically reimbursed. The result is a feel of “we’re in this together”. Farms also differ in their policies regarding

what happens with your box if you don’t pick it up (vacation, something came up, I forgot). Make sure you know how these situations are dealt with before the season starts.

If you would like to learn more about CSAs, a farmer who participates in the program is coming to talk at our Diabetes Learning Circle on March 5th, 8:30 a.m., at the Ho-Chunk Health Care Center in Black River Falls.

Resources:

- <http://localharvest.org>
- www.fairshare.com
- www.uwex.edu
- www.macsac.org
- www.wifarmfresh.org

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7. Carolyn White Eagle	23. Michael Day
Eunice Mallory	Antoinette Horak
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Avery Lonetree	Myrna Thompson
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Ho-Chunk legal representatives offered peek at Compas

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It's called Compas and it's designed to give direction for both the offender and those in the judicial system.

The Ho-Chunk Nation and Jackson County are one step closer to jointly using the system called Compas to aid in the risk and needs of a criminal offender and how to best guide the offender onto the right path.

Jared Hoy, re-entry project manager for the Wisconsin Department of Corrections, gave a presentation on Compas to Ho-Chunk Nation and Jackson County legal representatives on Tuesday, January 20, at the Ho-Chunk Trial Court.

"We're applying what we know that works though experience," Hoy said. "County legal systems need the assessment portion of the Web-based program because often their jails are overflowing and they need to know how risky a person is to the public."

Compas is an acronym for Correctional Offender Management Profile for Alternative Sanctions. At present, there are more than 100,000 clients in Compas, Hoy said.

The proposed Compas program is a partnership of the Ho-Chunk Nation, Jackson County and the Wisconsin Department of Corrections.

But, in order for implementation of the program to move forward, the Department of

Corrections needs to have a Memorandum of Understanding with Jackson County and the Ho-Chunk Nation.

"No one has access to the program unless they are trained," Hoy said.

The Compas program is a key ingredient in Denis Rockman's role as diversion director with the Ho-Chunk Nation and Jackson County. He has received training to use and access the Compas program.

The assessment, a series of 137 questions, can either be performed voluntarily or involuntarily and results will look at several areas or factors of the offender.

First factor to be assessed is the risk factor to the community. Secondly, the offender's internal motivation is measured. Third, the amount of risk to re-offend is measured, or if the problem will self-correct. Fourth, it measures what skills are available to make a transition with directed practice. Fifth, the ratio of positives to negative aspects are gauged. And sixth, what type of support is available to the offender from the community.

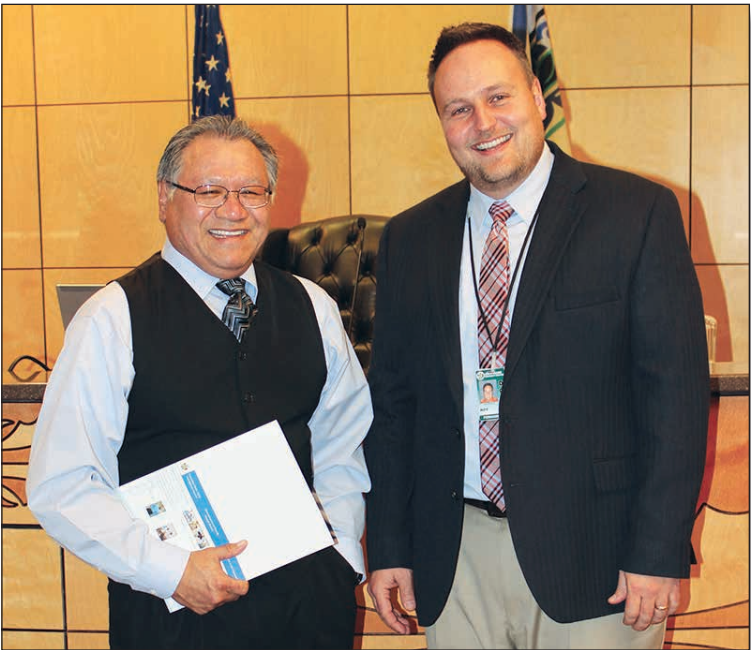
Legal and justice representatives throughout the legal system have access to Compas, but the amount of data they can access is limited to what level they have.

"There are safeguards in place," Hoy said. "And often the accesses to the Compas program are audited.

Hoy works with legal pro-



Re-Entry Project Manager Jared Hoy explains the details of the Compas program and how it can help legal officials get an offender back on the right track.



Diversion Director Denis Rockman poses with Jared Hoy from the Wisconsin Department of Corrections. Rockman will be working closely with the Compas program as it is being instituted both within the Ho-Chunk Nation and Jackson County.

professionals within Wisconsin and, so far, the Compas system he works with is only for people within Wisconsin.

"Compas is a risk assessment system that provides a low-medium-high risk assessment to reoffend," he said. "It is also a needs assessment tool. It sets up an electronic case plan that is built and maintained. It's a road map moving through the treatment plan."

It is not a crime-specific risk predictor, he said. The information can be released to the

defense counsel when working with specific cases.

But it doesn't just recognize faults, but also it identifies the strengths of a person.

"It's important not to overload people with services," he said. "Sometimes a person will self-correct if the crime was a minor offense and providing too many services can be counterproductive."

There are different types of assessments. In the future, other requested assessment tools may be built into the Compas program.

Sharice Davids joins First Nations Community Financial Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of First Nations Community Financial announces the appointment of Sharice Davids as a director of the board. Ms. Davids' appointment expands the Board to 6 directors. Ms. Davids is an attorney and entrepreneur by trade. She has previously worked in economic development sectors in rural and tribal environments. She will be looked upon to provide oversight in development of FNCF as a nonprofit organization, its internet marketing strategy, and issues related to probate in Indian Country.

"Sharice's years of experience as a corporate lawyer and entrepreneur will add a valuable perspective to our Board of Directors," said Forrest Funmaker, Executive Director. "We appreciate her willingness to serve as a director and look forward to benefitting from her judgment and counsel."

Ms. Davids is currently Deputy Director at Thunder Valley Community Development Corporation. She has

also been featured as a one of the most promising entrepreneurs with her company Hoka Coffee Company, LLC. Before becoming Deputy Director, she was Counsel for Ceiba Legal, LLP from 2012 to 2014, and prior to that, from 2010 to 2012, she served as a Director of the Economic Development Initiative at Red Cloud Indian School. She also has served in many research internships with various law firms, which include being a teaching assistant with the American Indian Law Center in Albuquerque, NM.

Ms. Davids is a current board member of the Pine Ridge Area Chamber of Commerce. She has also served on the board of KC Legal and the Kansas Equality Coalition. She is also an accomplished MMA fighter, who studied Capoeira and Jiu-Jitsu for many years.


First Nations Community Financial is a Native Community Development Financial Institution located in Black River Falls, Wisconsin. It currently serves over 400 tribal



Sharice Davids

members with loan products ranging from small business loans, consumer loans, credit repair loans, auto loans to consumer friendly propane loans. First Nations Community Financial is proud to serve all Ho-Chunk communities in its service areas and takes great pride in upholding industry standards similar to all highly regulated CDFIs.

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Ho-Chunk Gaming - Nekoosa

**February 4, 2015
&
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10:00am-4:00pm

**Comments or questions contact
Tara L. Swallow, D3 Legislative Aide**

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Missing persons fund to be established

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The Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature took a step toward helping locate any missing Ho-Chunk members.

At its January 20 meeting, the Legislature appropriated \$50,000 from the charitable fund to the Office of Tribal Enrollment for the investigation, employment of a private detective, search and rescue implementation and return of Ho-Chunk Nation tribal members.

The resolution also established and funds a Special Revenue Account for \$25,000 from Charitable to be used as a reward fund for the return or recovery of Gene Cloud Jr.

“Unfortunately, our Nation is not set up to react to circumstances as such,” said Rep. Andrea Esebo, sponsor of the resolution along with Rep. Kathyleen Lonetree – Whiterabbit. “This resolution is the start to helping bring a resolution to those families searching for loved ones.”

Department of Justice Attorney Michelle Greendeer-Rave was instrumental advocating for the allocation and with assisting the family to date, Estebo said.

The Office of Tribal Enrollment will engage and pay for the services of an independent firm to conduct a missing

person investigation if the following requirements are satisfied:

The request for the missing person investigation comes from an immediate family member; and the immediate family member has contacted local law enforcement where the absent member was last located or believed to be located and filed a Missing Person Report.

Also, the local law enforcement has followed its procedures to locate the absent member and has been unable to find him or her.

The immediate family member has had to receive a letter from the local law enforcement official conducting the missing person investigation that states that the local law enforcement has been unable to find the absent member.

Also, the immediate family member needs to contact the Wisconsin Clearinghouse For Missing & Exploited Children & Adults or similar agency of the state where the Absent Member was last located or believed to be located and notified the agency that the Absent Member is missing.

If the requirements of above items are satisfied, the immediate family of an absent member may request that the Office of Tribal Enrollment

take the following actions:

Conduct a sufficiently thorough missing person’s investigation. The Office of Tribal Enrollment will engage and pay for the services of an independent firm to conduct the missing person search.

Upon learning the results of the missing person investigation, the Office of Tribal Enrollment will notify by certified mail the immediate family member who asked the Office of Tribal Enrollment to conduct the missing person

search.

Although this section is included within the Enrollment Code, there has not been allocations made to carry out these functions. Questions regarding the reward can be directed to Chief LeMieux.



MISSING

GENE CLOUD JR BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI









\$25,000 REWARD FOR
INFORMATION LEADING
TO GENE CLOUD JR



Ho-Chunk Nation Police
Department 715-
284-9343 ext 3433

Missing Jan 25, 2012
Age at the time 21
Sex Male
Height 5'08"
Weight 140
Hair Color Black
Eye Color Brown
Missing From Millston
Area Jackson County




Gene was last seen near Millston area in southern Jackson County. It has been reported that he was observed a short time later on Highway O. Gene was last seen wearing a black leather jacket, black hooded sweatshirt, blue jeans and black shoes.

Jackson County Sheriffs
Department 715-284-5357

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SUMMONS
(First Publication)
IN THE HO-CHUNK TRIAL COURT
Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency ex rel and
Cierra A. Woolf, Petitioners, v. Presley D. Bird,
Respondent.
Case No. CS 14-82
TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:
Presley D. Bird
You are hereby informed that you have been named a respondent in the above-entitled civil lawsuit. This legal notice of the *Petition to Register and Enforce a Foreign Judgment or Order for Child Support* is now served upon you by publication. Your written *Answer* to the *Petition* must be filed with the Court on or before the twentieth day from the date of the second published issuance of this *Summons*. You may request a hearing within your written response. See RECOGNITION OF FOREIGN CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS ORDINANCE, 4 HCC § 2.5. Also, you must send or present a copy of your *Answer* to the opposing parties listed above or to their attorney of record. Failure to file a timely *Answer* in the time allowed **can affect your right to object to the enforcement of the foreign judgment or order for child support.** *Id.*, § 2.6c.
The Trial Court is physically located at Wa Ehi Hocira, W9598 Highway 54 East, Black River Falls, (Jackson County), Wisconsin. The Trial Court’s mailing address is P.O. Box 70, Black River Falls, WI 54615. The telephone number is (715) 284-2722, or toll free 800-434-4070, and the facsimile number is (715) 284-3136.

SUMMONS
(Second Publication)
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT
Ho-Chunk Nation Child Support Agency and
Ashley E. Brost, Petitioner, v. Timothy E. Banuelos,
Respondent.
Case : CS 14-80
TO THE ABOVE-NAMED RESPONDENT:
Timothy E. Banuelos
You are hereby informed that you have been named a respondent in the above-entitled civil lawsuit. This legal notice of the *Petition to Register & Enforce a Foreign Judgment or Order* is now served upon you by publication. Your written *Answer* to the *Petition* must be filed with the Court on or before the twentieth day from the date of the second published issuance of this *Summons*. You may request a hearing within your written response. See RECOGNITION OF FOREIGN CHILD SUPPORT ORDERS ORDINANCE, 4 HCC § 2.5. Also, you must send or present a copy of your *Answer* to the opposing party listed above or to their attorney of record. Failure to file a timely *Answer* in the time allowed **can affect your right to object to the enforcement of the foreign judgment or order.** *Id.*, § 2.6c.
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February 2015

TERO Outreach Calendar

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9 Madison Branch Office 11:00 am-1:00 pm	10	11 House of Wellness 10:00am-12:00pm	12 Milwaukee Branch Office 11:00am-1:00pm	13	14
15	16 Green Bay Branch Office 11:00am-1:00pm	17	18 Lacrosse Branch Office 10:00am-12:00pm	19	20	21
22	23 HCG-Nekoosa 10:00am-12:00pm	24	25 Wittenberg Potch-chee-nunk 11:00am-1:00pm	26	27	28

For more information you can call

TERO Case Managers 715-284-9343 or 1-800-294-9343

William Collins X- 1146 Julie Rodriguez X-1145

Anderson's humor touches the audience through his heart

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Nationally acclaimed comedian and actor Louie Anderson is excited about hitting the stage on February 14 at Ho-Chunk Gaming – Black River Falls.

"I'm really looking forward to performing there," Anderson said. "I've always had a long working relationship with the Native American casinos."

Anderson will offer his brand of humor at two shows that night, one at 5:30 p.m. and another at 8:30 p.m.

"I would characterize my humor as family friendly, clean but really funny humor," he said. "Because a lot of people think, 'Wow, this person will be good - he'll be clean but he won't be funny. A lot of times people think that. I think my humor comes from my heart and it's all about my family and it's all about my foibles - my food and about being a fat kid, coming from a family who is crazy and it's all those things. So I come from that place.'"

Anderson was born in 1953, the second youngest of 11 children, having grown up in St. Paul, Minnesota.

"The family's very funny. Everybody's got a good sense of humor and so I think it was just part of our family. I was very fortunate to come from a place where humor was encouraged," he said.

Now, he views his family's humor as a coping mechanism to deal with adversity.

"My dad was an alcoholic. So, when you come from a family where there is alcoholism, it's a hard tough road in a lot of ways and you have to find your way and you have to take care of yourself and you have to do what you can to

survive that situation. I think humor played a big part in mine," he said.

Even at an early age, Anderson had an interest in standup comedy, not knowing that it would someday be his passion and his livelihood.

"I used to watch The Tonight Show and watched the comedians. At the time, I was working in the social work area and I was at a club, a bar in Minneapolis, and they were having comedy night," he said. "My friend dared me to go on, and I did. That was 1978 at Mickey Finn's in Minneapolis and I've been doing it ever since. I've enjoyed it when I went on - I've been successful. The first time I went on I really enjoyed it and it made me feel good and I kept doing it."

He doesn't have a fear of the audience because his childhood was the prefect training ground.

"I come from a family of 11 children, so I wasn't afraid of the crowd," Anderson said. "I'm a very social person and I always try to make people laugh, so I think I was kind of prepared for it in some weird way."

Besides his standup comedy, Anderson has had quite a few appearances as an actor, both on television and on the big screen. His appearance in the movie, "Coming to America" was a moment when he gained the most national notoriety, propelling his career onto the fast track.

"'Coming to America' definitely was one of them that helped my career. That was cross cultural and had every demographic in it," Anderson said. "I performed on The Tonight Show, but that would be one certain audience and I did the Rodney Dangerfield

Young Comedian Special – that would be another certain audience.

"But I think my role in 'Coming to America' still has people talking. People will mention it to me all the time," he said. "It was one of Eddie Murphy's best movies and it was really good. It was a great experience for me. And I learned a lot and I really was lucky I really was quite fortunate."

His current standup comedy schedule has him quite busy, performing regularly Wednesdays through Saturdays at the Plaza Theater in Las Vegas. Once a month he heads somewhere in the country for a performance. His acts at Ho-Chunk Gaming – Black River Falls is one of those occasions.

Dusty Anderson will be opening the show for Louie.

"That's my nephew, my brother Jim's son," Anderson said. "He's a tremendous singer and song writer - a tremendous kid and one of my favorite people in my family."

Although Anderson could be involved with many different avenues, he prefers to continue with standup comedy.

"I plan to continue doing standup because this is such a good, immediate thing. I get to do the standup comedy, my audience is right there, I don't have to have a director, there's no writer, no producer, there's no agent, no manager – just me and the crowd. And we have a tremendous time and I don't know how you can ever beat that," he said.

"My comedy comes from my heart - it really comes from inside. It's exactly that and I feel real fortunate that I still have this great job."

But he also makes time to work on a couple of TV



Louie Anderson is ready to offer his brand of humor to the audience on Saturday, February 14, at Ho-Chunk Gaming – Black River Falls.

projects, along with mentoring of comedians, which is really important to him. Also, he's working on a book about standup comedy, so he's quite busy right now, he said.

One of the best parts of his career is traveling to favorite places and meeting the people.

"I've been lucky enough to come to Wisconsin several times. I don't think I've been to your casino, but I love Wisconsin," he said. "If you can't live in Minnesota, then you should live in Wisconsin. That's the second choice, I'm sorry to say. I love what I do and I try to share it with people and I love Midwesterners. We stick together, you know?"

Even though Green Bay didn't make it in that game, he was rooting for them, even though the Vikings were out of it, Anderson said.

Anderson has a special interest in Native American culture and he continues to help Native American students in

college through his late brother's name.

"My brother, Kent Anderson, has a scholarship in his name to help Native American students at Augsburg so they have spending money while going to school there," he said. "My brother was a big fan of Native Americans and has a Native American artifact collection. God rest his soul, and so we created a scholarship in his name."

Throughout his career, he believes he has shared a part of himself through his comedy. When he someday walks off the stage for the last time, he wants people to remember him for what he has shared with them from his heart.

"I want people to remember me that I really went out of my way to be nice to people and that I went out of my way to be a professional at all times," Anderson said. "And that I gave the world more than I took from it."

Miles Thompson

Continued from Page 1

tried those other sports - like basketball and hockey – I like them, but lacrosse always made me happy just playing it."

Playing for the Minnesota Swarm may have presented some challenges since it is based far from his home, but

the staff and fans have helped to make the change a smooth one.

"It's far, but I got a good welcome from the native community and it made me feel like home. It made me feel like I never left, so I can't complain," he said. "The only memory I have right now is when I got off that airplane

and the people sang me that round dance song. I actually videotaped it and I watch that video before my games. I gives me the chills. That's a memory that will always stay with me. I even showed my brothers that video and they got pumped for me and

couldn't wait for me to play."

At the podium in front of his fans on January 20 at the Executive Building, Ho-Chunk member Randy Blackdeer, a traditional lacrosse stick maker, presented Thompson with a Great Lakes style hickory and deerhide

lacrosse stick.

"It's an honor to be out here. Hopefully I can come back," Thompson said. "It's always in my plans to work with the youth, so that is something that I would like to do - maybe come back here."



Traditional lacrosse stick maker Randy Blackdeer gives Miles Thompson a handmade Great Lakes style traditional stick as a token of friendship.



Miles Thompson poses for one last picture – this time with everyone.

Scott Walker rejects Menominee bid for Kenosha casino

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By Cary Spivak and Jason Stein of the Journal Sentinel

Gov. Scott Walker killed the Menominee’s tribe effort to open an off-reservation casino in Kenosha Friday.

In a news release, the governor’s office said he was rejecting the bid because of fears that an agreement with the Potawatomi tribe could require the state taxpayers millions of dollars.

“Due to the compacts negotiated by Governor (Jim) Doyle, the current cost to taxpayers of approving the proposed casino project is up to \$100 million and the long-term economic hit to the state budget would be a potential loss of hundreds of millions of dollars, Walker said in a statement.

The compact agreement calls for the Potawatomi tribe to be reimbursed for any loss of business resulting from the opening of a Kenosha casino.

Jim Allen, chairman of Hard Rock International, which hoped to develop and manage the casino issued a statement that said: “We believe Hard Rock and Menominee stepped up to every challenge and then some. This is terribly sad news for the 8,958 members of the Menominee Tribe of Wisconsin,”

The governor’s action apparently puts the end to an effort by the Menominee that dates back to the 1990s. Fearing that a new competitor would hurt its Milwaukee casino, the Potawatomi tribe has spent millions of dollars fighting the Kenosha casino.

The federal Bureau of Indian Affairs approved the \$800 million casino complex

in August 2013. As governor, Walker then had the authority to approve or reject the project.

The proposed Menominee casino complex would have been financed and managed by Hard Rock International, which is owned by the Seminole Tribe of Florida. Hard Rock expected to make more than \$200 million over seven years as the manager and developer of the casino project.

Rep. Samantha Kerkman of nearby Powers Lake, the staunchest Republican supporter of the project, didn’t blame Walker for the decision but called it a “true disappointment.”

“I am saddened at the loss of potential for Kenosha County and for the state of Wisconsin,” she said in a statement.

Sen. Bob Wirth (D-Somers) said: “The decision made by



An artist’s rendering depicts the proposed Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Kenosha. Gov. Scott Walker on Friday rejected the proposal.

Governor Walker to deny a casino in Kenosha is shameful. He has turned his back on the wishes of a majority of people in Southeastern Wisconsin. It is shameful that Governor Walker has said no to an \$800 million project that

would create thousands of family supporting jobs. Governor Walker ran on creating jobs in Wisconsin, and now that he is running for president, he is no longer invested in the Wisconsin come back.”

Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa receives recognition for donations

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa PR

A small, informal, recognition ceremony was held at The Ministry of St. Joseph’s Hospital on Thursday, January 15, 2015 in Marshfield, Wisconsin for Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa. The Foundation of St. Joseph’s Hospital created a stone on their Tree of Life Sculpture for Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa. Stones on the Tree of Life Sculpture represent donations of



The Ho-Chunk Gaming Stone from the Tree of Life Sculpture located in St. Joseph’s Hospital in Marshfield, WI.

\$10,000 or more. Over the past four years Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa has made donations to The Foundation of St. Joseph’s Hospital from the Annual Pulse Pounding Poker Tournament.

Iilee Pederson, Annual Giving Coordinator from the Foundation of St. Joseph’s Hospital put the stone into place at St. Joseph’s Hospital. Representatives attending from Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa included Adam Estes-HCGN Table Games Manager, Barbara Kelley-HCGN Marketing Director and Lynette LeGarde-HCGN PR. Iilee Pederson specified, “The Tree of Life is a testimony to the overwhelming generosity of Foundation of Ministry Saint Joseph’s Hospital’s supporters. We are extremely grateful for the continuous support Ho-Chunk Gaming provides to our Hospital programs and patients.”

Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa created The Pulse Pounding Poker Tournament in honor of Table Games employee, Kevin Abbott, who passed away from heart failure. A portion of the proceeds from The Pulse Pounding Poker Tournament are donated to The



L-R (Iilee Pederson, Foundation of St. Joseph’s Hospital and Adam Estes, Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa Table Games Manager).

Foundation of St. Joseph’s Heart Services/Cardiac Support, Cancer and Diabetes Services. The 5th Annual Pulse Pounding Poker Tour-

namment is scheduled for September 26-27, 2015 at Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa.

Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa sponsors Fun d’Arts Fundraiser

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa PR

Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa made a check presentation to The New Visions Gallery on Friday, January 23, 2015 for the Fun d’Arts fundraiser. The fundraiser will be held at the River Edge Golf Course in Marshfield, Wisconsin on February 7, 2015. The theme this year is WPA (Works Progress Administration) Art with a time period that spans 1935-1943.

Betsy Tanenbaum-New Visions Gallery Director stated, “New Visions Gallery is a

nonprofit organization dedicated to connecting the Marshfield community, visitors, as well as Marshfield Clinic patients and employees with the visual arts and educational arts programming. Our annual fundraiser, Fun d’Arts, supports more than 1/3 of the annual operating income we need to offer programming at no cost to participants. We are so grateful for the support of Ho Chunk Gaming – Nekoosa; it is because of their generosity, and the generosity of those like them, that New Visions Gallery can grow.”



L-R: Lynette LeGarde, Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa PR and Betsy Tanenbaum, New Visions Gallery Director.



Descendant of
JIM FUNMAKER

Gisewemįnakwi
BETTINA WARNER
FOR
HO-CHUNK NATION
PRESIDENT



Descendant of
SAMUEL LONETREE

Wąžaniwįna, hižakišana hiņikaragi winą. Giseweminąkwiga hiįgaire.

Hoguceja hacį wa'ųje. Hųc yaakikarac wa'ųjeną.

Each and everyone of you, I greet you. My name is Bettina Warner and a bear clan member. I want to be your next Ho-Chunk Nation President.

GOALS



- Bring the Nation into the 21st century by thinking outside the box
- Incorporate Ho-Chunk culture and corporate culture characterized by integrity, honesty, teamwork, and respect for each other
 - Cost of Living Allowance (COLA) increase
 - Increase morale through incentive programs
- Increase accessibility and provide quarterly updates
 - Work with Legislators to develop laws

Restructuring Tribal Governance Strategy Plan

Establish new departments and divisions such as:

- Department of Agriculture
- Department of Land Acquisitions
- Others that are needed

Develop Ho-Chunk lands

- To create certified organic produce and livestock for our communities, casinos, and for other revenue generating opportunities
 - To construct waste water treatment plant for Baraboo businesses, homes and rental units
- To attract franchises where management practices are already in place, such as Buffalo Wild Wings, Panera, Chipotle, Five Guys Burgers & Fries, Texas Roadhouse, P.F. Chang's, Red Lobster, HuHot, Caribou Coffee, and Trader Joe's
- Badger Army Ammunition Plant developed as a solar farm: sell sustainability energy back to utility grid and generate revenue; other sustainable practices to remediate the land.



With diversification, we can put the revenue generated from business ventures into our communities.

Leadership Skills


DNR Division Manager (HCN)
WI. Tribal Conservation Advisory Council (WTCAC) Director
Project Geologist (SpecPro, Inc.)
Staff Geologist (Patrick Engineering)
Self-Employed Exploration Geologist (Central America)
Corporate Experience




Background & Education

Honorably Discharged Navy Veteran


Masters of Business Admin - Global Emphasis
Certified Project Manager
Bachelors of Science - Environmental Geology



During my first term I worked hard on behalf of the people of District 1 and the Hoocak Nation. I hope to continue this work as we move forward to make our community development a reality, to further strengthen our sovereignty through progressive legislation, and to provide the long term security for all of our tribal members. Questions about my platform can be directed to nizu.brf@gmail.com or (715) 299-6474.



ReElect Waukon



District 1 Representative

Proven Leadership and Vision for our Future


Continued support for D1CC and community development

Sound environmental policy and management for sustainable and responsible development

Sustainable economic growth and progressive job creation strategies

Continued strategic lobbying and relationship building

Vote Waukon



February 28

“we can’t become what we want by remaining what we are.”

CHOOSE PROGRESS

&

VOTE

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HEATHERCLOUD

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GOALS

RAISE WAGES

UNEMPLOYMENT ORDINANCE


RAISE PERCAPITA

ACHIEVEMENTS

SECTION 17

INTERNAL AUDITORS


CRIMINAL CODE



**WRITE IN
WILFRID
CLEVELAND
FOR PRESIDENT**




*Raised in a Ho-Chunk
community, understands
Ho-Chunk ways, keeping
Ho-Chunk Nation's culture
in today's government.*



RE-ELECT

Andrea “Pepper” Estebo

HCN District 2 Legislator



- ❖ **Masters Degree** in Business Administration, Organizational Development, 2014
- ❖ **Bachelors Degree** in Business Administration, Business Management, 2010
- ❖ **Associate of Arts**, General Business, 2007
- ❖ **Associate in Applied Science**, Supervisory Management, 2004
- ❖ **Worked for the Great Ho-Chunk Nation** for seventeen years

I am seeking re-election to the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature to represent the Ho-Chunk People of District 2. During my first term in office I focused on establishing funds for each district to help address the housing concerns of our people, strengthening Tribal Law Enforcement through legislation and budgetary support, establishing and implementing the Disability Code to provide better access to services by our disabled Tribal Members, work on the Children’s Trust Fund and the Per Cap Ordinance to provide long term security for the Children’s trust fund and also providing easier access for the benefit of tribal members deemed legally incompetent, greater legislative efficiency and accountability through the work on the Legislative Organization Act, continued support and advocacy for the establishment of the Kijire Naagu Healing Center, and explored and worked on important economic diversification initiatives.

I seek to continue to be your voice on the Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature. I will continue to be a strong advocate and provide leadership for all issues that affect our Elders, Veterans, Youth, and Disabled Tribal Members while serving the people of our great Nation.

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VOTE FEBRUARY 28th

RE-ELECT

Andrea “Pepper” Estebo


VOTE


for President of the Ho-Chunk Nation

Marlys

Whiteagle

Last Saturday of February, Feb 28, 2015





COMMITMENT, EXPERIENCE, FAIRNESS

RE-ELECT TODD R. MATHA

AS

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE

OF THE

HO-CHUNK NATION SUPREME COURT

EDUCATION:

DICKINSON COLLEGE, BACHELOR OF ARTS (1991)

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA LAW SCHOOL (1996)

EXPERIENCE:

HCN DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (1997-1999)

HCN TRIAL COURT, ASSOC. JUDGE (1999-2005)


HCN TRIAL COURT, CHIEF JUDGE (2005-2011)

HCN SUPREME COURT (2011-PRESENT)


NON-REMOVABLE MILLE LACS BAND OF OJIBWE,
SOLICITOR GENERAL (2011-PRESENT)

I HAVE FAITHFULLY SERVED THE HO-CHUNK NATION THROUGHOUT MY ENTIRE LEGAL CAREER, AND HUMBLY ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT SO THAT I MIGHT CONTINUE TO DO SO. I TAKE GREAT PRIDE IN HAVING HELPED SHAPE THE JUDICIARY AND ITS CASE LAW OVER THE PAST FIFTEEN YEARS. THE NATION’S JUDICIAL BRANCH REMAINS A WELL-RESPECTED INSTITUTION WITHIN INDIAN COUNTRY, AND I FEEL PRIVILEGED TO HAVE PLAYED A ROLE IN FORGING AND SUSTAINING THIS REPUTATION.

THE OFFICE OF ASSOCIATE JUSTICE IS A PART-TIME, YET ESSENTIAL, POSITION TO WHICH I DEDICATE CONSIDERABLE TIME AND EFFORT. I ALSO HOLD THE FULL-TIME POSITION OF CHIEF LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE MILLE LACS BAND WHERE I ADVISE BOTH EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE BRANCHES, SUPERVISE ELEVEN ATTORNEYS, AND OVERSEE A POLICE DEPARTMENT OF TWENTY OFFICERS. THIS PARALLEL EXPERIENCE HAS ENHANCED MY ABILITY TO FAIRLY RESOLVE DIFFICULT CONFLICTS AND DISPUTES. AGAIN, I KINDLY REQUEST YOUR VOTE AT THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION ON FEBRUARY 28, 2015. THANK YOU.

Experience Counts  Integrity Matters

Vote Anna Becker for Jackson County Circuit Court Judge



RETAIN JUDGE ANNA BECKER AS YOUR
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE BECAUSE ...


WORK ETHIC: The caseload statistics generated by the Jackson County Clerk of Court indicates, **since October 2014** when Judge Anna Becker began actively serving as your Circuit Court Judge, the number of cases being heard by the Judge has more than **tripled**, to upwards of 900 cases per month.

FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY: Judge Anna Becker **cut \$60,000** from the 2015 Judicial Office Budget, enabling those funds to be more effectively utilized elsewhere in Jackson County.

LEADERSHIP: Judge Anna Becker currently **oversees** the implementation of a \$650,000 Federal grant which was awarded to Jackson County and the Ho-Chunk Nation in 2013. This grant aims to reunite Jackson County parents with their children who were placed out-of-home because of significant substance abuse or mental health issues resulting in neglect or abuse.

PROVEN RECORD: Judge Anna Becker is the only candidate who has **proven** she is capable of tackling the tremendous *pre-existing* Jackson County Court caseload, while accomplishing goals in a fiscally responsible manner.

**JUDGE
BECKER**
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 **VOTE**
Anna L. Becker

Our community deserves the highest quality and delivery of justice. Judge Anna Becker would be honored to continue to provide that to you!

Judge Anna Becker - Protecting Jackson County Families for 20+ Years

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* Experience

* Integrity

* Fairness

- 26 years legal experience/practicing attorney, including 15 years specializing in family law with my general civil law practice
- 11 years Assistant District Attorney specializing in domestic abuse, sexual assault and child abuse. Prosecuted sexual predator cases.
- 15 years business management responsibilities
- Member, Board of Directors, Black River Falls Tiger Athletic Boosters
- Member, Board of Directors, Black River Youth Swimming
- Former member, Board of Directors, Boys & Girls Club of Jackson County

Exercise Your
Right to Vote!

Tuesday,
February 17

Robyn ★ ★ ★ ★
Matousek

★ ★ ★ for Judge

Paid for by Citizens for Matousek, Julie Babcock, Treasurer.

Ho-Chunk Alumni Association

Spring Membership Drive

Saturday, February 28th 9am-2pm
Cranberry Country Lodge, Tomah, WI

- Celebrating Official Non-Profit Status
- Elect Vacant Officer Seats
- Recruit New Members
- Memorial Day Art Show Planning
- Form New Committees
- Prizes!

Breakfast and Lunch will be provided
Open to current and past college students and graduates
RSVP Required by February 20th, 2015
RSVP at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RKKBTFZ>
For more information contact ho-chunkalumni@gmail.com

THE FOLLOWING IS A LIST OF HO-CHUNK NATION MEMBERS' TRIBAL ENROLLMENT NUMBERS. IF YOUR HCN ID# IS LISTED BELOW PLEASE CONTACT THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING HOME OWNERSHIP PROGRAM AT (608) 374-1225 BY FRIDAY, FEBUARY 13, 2015.

0885	5545	2541
5760	0455	3367
0173	5904	2821
2031	1164	6227
2417	6593	2232
2856	2056	6312
1305	1660	1277
0402	3254	0089

PLEASE ASK TO SPEAK WITH MICHELLE WINNESHIEK, SHEILA STOUT OR VICKI SHISLER.



DUE TO THE CURRENT SEASON
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE
HAS RECEIVED A HIGHER VOLUME OF REQUESTS

WE WOULD LIKE TO SEND OUT A FRIENDLY REMINDER THAT IF YOU ARE GOING TO BE REQUESTING ASSISTANCE TOWARDS YOUR BILL, PLEASE SUBMIT ALL PAPERWORK FOR YOUR REQUEST AS SOON AS THE DISCONNECTION BILL IS RECEIVED. DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE DATE OF DISCONNECTION TO APPLY, AS IT CAN TAKE UP TO 5 BUSINESS DAYS TO MAKE A DECISION ON YOUR REQUEST. IF YOUR APPLICATION GETS APPROVED BEFORE YOU GET DISCONNECTED, YOU WILL AVOID ANY DISCONNECT, RECONNECT, AND DEPOSIT FEES.


SINCE IT IS WINTER TIME, PLEASE CHECK YOUR LP TANK ON A REGULAR BASIS. THIS WILL INSURE MORE ASSISTANCE TOWARDS THE ACTUAL PROPANE BILL AND AVOID THE FEES YOU INCUR WHEN RUNNING OUT.



HO-CHUNK NATION
Department of Labor
P.O. Box 667 Black River Falls, WI 54615
Phone (715) 284-5877 FAX (715) 284-1520
(800) 294-9343

ATTENTION ENTREPRENEURS
AND SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS

The Department of Labor has received vital information pertaining to BIA Indian Loan Guarantee program. For more information and forms please contact the Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Labor Project Manager or the Tribal Training and Development Manager.



HO-CHUNK NATION
DIVISION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Veterans Affairs Advisory Board

Date: April 17, 2015

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: *TOB-Veterans Affairs Division
Conference Room*

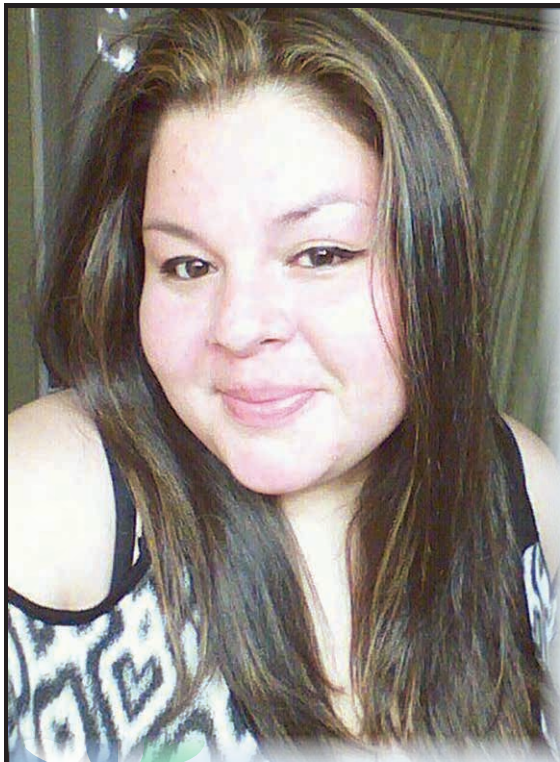
The Division of Veterans Affairs encourages all veterans and interested individuals to attend.

Should you have any questions comments or concerns please contact the Division of Veterans Affairs at (715)284-4563.

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Nicole Valerie Leonard Houghton

Ni i saage i ga ~ Swift Water

The family of Nicole Valerie Leonard Houghton ~ Ni i saage i ga ~ Swift Water would like to express their appreciation for the love and support everyone has shown us during this difficult time. Ni i saage i ga was our much beloved daughter, sister, mother & friend. We wish to express our sincere appreciation for the many expressions of kindness, support and love you have shown to us during our time of loss. Thank you all for acts of kindness to our family they have been a comfort. Whatever you did to console our hearts, we are grateful. While we do not mean to omit anyone, we would like to specifically thank the following:

The Native American Church of Wisconsin Dells & all chapters of the Wisconsin Native American Church. We are grateful for monetary and medicine donations.

We would like to thank Gregory Blackcoon and your helpers for your support, ministry, and encouragement during this difficult time. Your words were inspirational and were a comfort for all who attended.

Her attendant's Kiana Beaudin and Tasheena "Baby" Cloud for the outstanding manner with which you took care of Nikki.

Kunika Lucy Hindsley & Our Nani's for making Nikki's dress, shawl, moccasins & beadwork ~ she looked beautiful.

Chiara Blackcoon & her helpers for the delicious food provided; sharing your kitchen's bounty & your talents with us was something we will long remember.

Pallbearer's - Anthony Greengrass, Amos Gauthier, Cory Hindsley, Chris Schneider, Travis Cloud & Keith Reed~ Thank you for showing your caring in this way.

The Native American Church of Wittenberg for the meal after the internment.

Thank you for the prayers which we welcome and appreciate, thank you People of the Big Voice, for your love and compassion. We love you Ho-Chunk Nation. The manner with which you take care of our dearly departed is truly amazing. God bless each one.



Year of the PEOPLE

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Robert Two-Bears
Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature
District 5 Representative

IRS Indian Tribal Government Reporting Tribal (per capita) distributions on your 2014 tax return

If you are a member of a federally recognized tribe, you may receive taxable distributions from your tribe. The tribe must report these distributions to the IRS and to you on Form 1099-MISC.

If you are expecting a refund, **correctly preparing your 2014 federal tax return may help avoid refund delays.** Please make sure that you include information from your Form 1099-MISC when you file.

Follow these instructions when filing your 2014 federal income tax return:

- Use Form 1040; not Form 1040A or Form 1040EZ
- On Form 1040, line 21, enter the amount of tribal distributions from Form 1099-MISC, Box 3
- On Form 1040, line 21, include a description of the income in the space provided on Line 21
- To avoid processing delays, enter one of the following descriptions on Line 21:
 - o INDIAN GAMING PROCEEDS
 - o INDIAN TRIBAL DISTRIB
 - o NATIVE AMERICAN DISTRIB

• **Spell the descriptions exactly as listed above.** These descriptions facilitate the processing of your tax return. For example, if you spell out DISTRIBUTION rather than using DISTRIB, the IRS may reject your return and delay your refund.

If you receive a letter requiring a response from you, respond to the letter in a timely manner. Do not ignore it. While the correct descriptions shown above are important, it is crucial you respond timely to any letter requesting your response.

Some letters do not require a response. These are called notices. Notices are sent by the Internal Revenue Service to inform you of the length of time your refund is expected to be delayed.

The IRS's hard work to protect taxpayers from fraud and identity theft may delay refunds for Tribal members. All tax returns are subject to the refund fraud and identity theft filters. There are NO exceptions. Although this diligence has affected everyone, ITG has gotten involved and the IRS has made strides in streamlining refunds. With automated processes and your following the guidelines in this article, the number and length of delays should be reduced.



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